Ferreted Out.

Moral Festers Can Not Exist Here Unnoticed.

The Comet Will Do Its Duly and Ex- Dear Sir: pose Crime.

THE COMET publishes nothing simply for a sensation. There are many thing- which never would be brought to light, but for the feet that, to secure their election and prevenfrom it is necessary for the public to a ow of them. It is very largel, the pr vince of the monerous demodel. newspaper to aid the law in ferreting out crime, and bringing criminals to justice. There are multiplied instances where crime would have gone un- livered to as the P. L. and Reg. will punished, but for the almost alsereh- not permit. ing eye of the u wapaper. If by exposing criminals that the general public know not of, the Comer can aid in THE GREENE COUNTY FESTIVAL. purifying the moral atmosphere of this community, it will never hesitate to do A Gay Day Witnessed by a Large so, and, with this end in view, it will "how to the line, let the chips fall how they may."

A few days since THE COMET contained a reference to some letters which had passed through the mails, and paying the way, as some persons thought, to the possibility of committing a crime against God, nature, and the State. There were those who, at once, were greatly concerned about the propriety of the publication. Swift-winged currents of uneasiness seemed to go out in various directions. We do not know why. Certain it is people paraded on slow mules; negroes that THE COMET is abundantly able to look after the proprieties in its publi-

Criticisms are always abundant, and are frequently furnished by those who give the world no evidence of their own good morals, except by their hypocritical blubbering over or the un. covering of the moral rottenness in the community. Then there are those who criticize because they are vain enough to suppose they know how a newspaper ought to be run, but who are totally innocent of having satisfied the public of their possession of any

such knowledge It is said that the publication ought not to have been made without giving names. THE COMET has handled the matter in such a way, no doubt, that Dame Nature can not now be cheated out of showing the guilty party, and only the guilty need be uneasy about the ontcome.

If it will satisfy the yearnings of the self-constituted guardians of THE Comer's modesty, they can take which consolation from the following, which speaks for itself:

HER LETTER.

Johnson City, Sept. 27. tor, I am in much trouble and it only to by the finer chords of the soul. takes the doctor to help me out. If I | Many premiums were given. THE had been willing to this I would not Comer represent tive did not go to rehave asked you in a sectents, but God port, but he managed to collect a few in heaven knows I did not do this things. willing; I was fourced by being over- Thursday there was base ball bepowerd when I was alone. Dear tween Johnson City and Greeneville. Doctor, please help me just this once The t vo clubs tied. Friday they were and I will pay you well. I have the to play again, but Greeneville failed to meney for you now. Doctor, please do appear. what I ask of you Matters not what In the foot race, Bob Williams, of you charge I will be willing to pay Milligan was successful, with John you as much as any one of my sur- Jobe second. bility. Doctor, just think over my Miss Anna Hughes, of Moshiem, was poor girl in distress. You can help ganist. me. I will never tell, it matters not | Premium for the prettiest baby was No one has ever thought of such a baby was awarded to Mrs. Hardin. thing of me. No one on earth knows In the penmanship contest, Miss Treat her kindly, confine her as much bear your expencies from your town to boys' penmanship contest. mine, or I will make it convenient to with you. Your money is waiting for you; will pay you in advance. Doctor, I know you but you don't know me. Hall, daughter of J. K. P. Hall; second I believe you to be a kind harted men and will have pity on a poor girl, who stands well with the best of the people. Please don't say anything Dr. Willis of Greenevide. about this note. Hope it will be Best speller, Moses Rambo, of Whig, agreeable with you Pease answer on Greene county

return mail. M. E., Johnson City, Tenn. Please help a friend, for I know you earth will know but us if you will. THE DOCTOR'S REPLY.

PINEY FLATS, Sept. Sc. 1891. favor of recent date, will say that I county.

can not help you out of your trouble because by so doing, I would commit abortion, something I never have A Selfish and Annoying Traveler Involdone, nor never shall do; because in dalge in such a low, debasing crime. bor, I gave up my seat.

Yours, etc. C. W. B .-- M. D.

PINEY FLATS, TENN., Sept. 27, 1891.

P. M., Johnson City, Tenn.

Tomorrow I will send a letter to your P. O. directed to M. E., it is very important that I should know who M. took no notice of him. E. is, don't let any one have the letter except the person styling themselves M. E., and be sure and identify such person if you can. Create as little suspicion as possible and let me know what you find out.

> Yours truly, C. E. Cable, P. O.

REPLY OF POSTMASTER MARTIN. The letter has been delivered, I have no right to say who the letter was de-

J. M. MARTIN, Sept. 29, 1891.

Crowd -- Many Premiums Awarded.

The Greene county festival, under the auspices of the I.O.O.F., closed out Friday. It appears to have been met with success in that it was a pleasant gathering socially of so many friends and acquaintances. On Friday there was quite a large crowd in attendance. The behavior was commendable. The exercises were such as give the highest diversion. There were many odd things. Clownish blacked themselves blacker than nature had done it, and with bones, harps, horns, tamboureens and wide mouths, made concert and music in great glee. Pretty babies were exhibited, also ugly ones, while heavy ones were weighed. Fat men were put upon the scales; dirty little boys chewed gum and watched the clowns. The greasy pole heard him, said to the conductor: was up, but no one ventured to climb. A six-legged calf was put on exhibition at ten cents. Potato race, barrel race, foot race, slow mule race and other who was a victim of this species of biraces were run. Horse-back riding peds. was indulged in, and lemonade was few glasses left.

Ugeon shooting was indulged in, and the knights of the tournament sport were on hand, while up near the main building was an amateur circus at ten cents, with the last chance and only a few more tickets left.

But above all, the fraternal disposi, tion of the crowd was best. Everybody seemed to be a friend to every other body. There were more pretty girls there than one is accustomed to seeing at a single gathering. It has been most truly said that Greeneville is noted for its fair daughters That is a great complaint, for they are sunshine DEAR DOCTOR: I ask a favor of you, when all else has faded, and from their and please don't denie we, if you do I presence comes a rippling music, am what the world calls ruined. Doe- whose sweet, soft notes are responded

case and think what you can do for a awarded the premium for the best or-

how low I would be, I would never awarded to Mrs. Will Clemmens, of give you away. Don't be afraid of that. | Tusculum; premium for the heaviest

this but me, for the one done it don't | Sue Remine, aged cleven, received a know the trouble I am in. Doctor, nice gold pen, the premium for the please don't denie me. I would die girl under fourteen most efficient in away, and there need be no trouble. before I would give you away. I will Brown received a like premium in the the art of driving the quill. Charlie

Miss Frazier, best lady rider, first stop at your town if this is agreeable premium; Miss Edna Rhea, second premium. This refers to horseback and not buggy riding.

Best girl rider under fifteen, Miss best, Miss Bailey. Best gentleman rider, Maj. Brannon;

second lest, Dr. Baker. Best loy rider, little Willie, son of

Best Sunday School choir, Newmansville.

Best barrel racer, Walter Calvin. There were several other premiums have the power to do so. No one on given, but owing to the fact that several contests were going on at the same time, THE COMET man was un

able to get them all. The pigeon killers had an interesting contest with a \$10 premium for the the letter boxes and postoffices of the DEAR MADAM :- In response to your best contestant, limited to Greene land.

SHE WAS DIPLOMATIC.

untarily Gives Up His Seat. The east bound Jersey Central train the first place abortion is declared a on which I was coming to town the But Wrong Doing Will be follow by the law of the land; and other day was crowded, and several last, but not least, because I am myself ladles were standing in the aisle. Being a man of too much integrity to in- as young as I look, unlike my neigh-

> A garrulous, middle aged man who occupied the outside seat next to me, seemingly stung by remorse and may-LEFTER OF PUSEMASTER AT PINEY PLATS. hap shame, but too selfish to give up his seat, said to the lady who was standing near him:

> > "Madam, I would gladly offer you this seat, but I really am a much older

man than I look." Pause for a polite refusal of that Syrup of Figs is taken; it is pleasant

"Under ordinary circumstances I contend that no man should retain his seat tem effectually, dispels colds, headand allow a lady to stand. But you aches and fevers and cures habitual would hardly believe that I am well nigh on to sixty-one, would you? Yet such is the fact. People, particularly passengers, often take me to be no more than forty at the most, and consequently think I ought to give my seat to the ladies; but that is my misfor-

No response.

present the victim of your youthful sppearance just now."

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appearance just now." He thought he noticed a faint smile,

but of this history makes no record. had one foot cut off and was shot in substitute. the other in 'our late unpleasantness.' and have contracted rheumatism, so that I can hardly stand, and it takes me half a day to walk a mile, and I know that under such circumstances a somewhat disorganized affair, but you will pardon my seeming impolite-

Still no recognition. "I fear lest I appear rude and bold in thus addressing you, a stranger, but owing to my extremely youthful appearance and the fact that I retained my seat while you, madam, were standing, I felt that some explanation was due you, and I hasten to make it." The lady turned her head away.

"Believe me, I assure you, that if I were not so heavily and unfortunately handicapped"-

Just then the conductor passed by. The lady whom that human hog had had the audacity to try to engage in conversation in attempted excuse for his hoggishness without the slightest indication that she had noticed or

"Please, sir, eject that man. He has been annoying and insulting me, as these people will prove." "That is true," said another lady

So the garrulous hog was hustled ADVICE TO WOMEN sold at five cents a glass, with only a into the smoking car at a rate which showed that his battle scarred feet were well heeled, to the satisfaction of

> all evewitnesses. He had no sooner been lifted out of his seat than the lady whom he had been addressing ensconced herself in it. And thus the human hog had after all involuntarily given her his seat. Diplomacy sometimes pays.—New York

How a "Sandwich Man" Lived.

As a touching instance of the sufferings of the poor, and the small sum on which life can be supported when the wages admit of nothing more luxurious, I make no apology for giving the diet sheet of a "sandwich man." It was published in the record of the London City mission. He only earned seven shillings a week, and, acting on Mr. Micawber's excellent advice and keeping well within his income, spent 6s 10d. His week's food cost 2s 1 1-2d; six days' lodging, 2s; soap, 1 1-2d; washing, 4d; medicine, 2d; shaving, 1d, and a pair of boots or some other article of clothing, 2s. His daily food allowance of 4 1-4d was thus distributed: Dinner, 1d; supper and breakfast, bread, 1 1-4d; butter, 1d; tea and sugar, 1d. Soon after the production or this curious balance sheet he died in Guy's hospital. He once earned ten pounds a week.-National Review.

Keep a Cat. The best way of ridding a house of rats is to fill all the holes that can be found with pounded glass and seal them with plaster of paris and tin if you wish. Then thoroughly clean the premises and see that there are no garbage pails left about to attract rats, and secure the services of a good cat, as possible to the basement of the house, so she will keep these intruders In a large hotel or boarding house the amount of refuse food about draws rats, but there is no excuse for their presence in a small house if there is a good cat around .- New York Tribune.

A Familiar Quotation.

The line "Though lost to sight to memory dear" has never been placed, in spite of the most persistent research. It was no doubt the title of a ballad or a pleasing line in it, but the name of the author remains, unknown. It has been stated that it was found engraved upon a bracelet fashioned in the Seventeenth century.-Philadelphia Ledger.

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